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SUBJECT: MIDCYCLE PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND INSPECTION PLAN - ARKANSAS NUCLEAR ONE  

Dear Mr. Anderson:  

On November 2, 2000, the NRC staff completed its midcycle plant performance assessment of Arkansas Nuclear One (ANO). The Midcycle Review for the ANO involved the participation of all technical divisions in evaluating performance indicators (PIs) and inspection results for the period of April 2 through September 30, 2000. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of our assessment of your safety performance during this period and our plans for future inspections at your facility so that you will have an opportunity to prepare for these inspections and to inform us of any planned inspections which may conflict with your plant activities.  

Plant performance for the most recent quarter was within the Licensee Response Column of the NRC’s Action Matrix, based on all inspection findings being classified as having very low safety significance (Green) and all PIs indicating performance at a level requiring no additional NRC oversight (Green). Normally, we would plan to conduct only baseline inspections at your facility through September 30, 2001; however, in response to your submission for an extension of the operating license for Unit 1, additional inspection, as specified in Manual Chapter 2516, has been identified and scheduled. Also, inspections will be performed for replacement of the Unit 2 steam generators. 

The enclosure details the scheduled inspections that will occur through September 30, 2001. The inspection plan is provided to minimize the resource impact on your staff and to allow for scheduling conflicts and personnel availability to be resolved in advance of inspector arrival onsite. Routine resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature. The last 6 months of the inspection plans are tentative and may be revised at the end-of-cycle review meeting. 

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If circumstances arise which cause us to change this inspection plan, we will contact you to discuss the change as soon as possible. Please contact me at (817) 860-8137 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

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